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WHILE WE HAVE NOT SEEN JOUBERT HERE IN NAIROBI SINCE COUP, IT IS
ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT HE HAS INDEED BEEN MEETING WITH ATTORNEY
GENERAL NJONJO AND CONCEIVABLY WITH POLICE COMMISSIONER HINGA AS
WELL IN HOPES OF GETTING SOME KIND OF KENYAN SUPPORT FOR COUNTER
COUP. IT IS WELL KNOWN LOCALLY THAT JOUBERT AND FORMER PRESIDENT
MANCHAM HAD MAINTAINED CLOSE PERSONAL RELATIONS WITH NJONJO AS
WELL AS WITH KENY VICE PRESIDENT MOI. HOWEVER, WE DOUBT THAT
JOUBERT WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING ANYTHING MORE THAN PERSONAL
EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY FROM THESE KENYANS.
WHILE CLEARLY CONCERNED OVER REPORTS OF TANZANIAN GROWING
INVOLVEMENT IN SYCHELLES SECURITY AFFAIRS, WE BELIEVE IT HIGHLY
UNLIKELY THAT KENYAN GOVERNMENT WOULD OFFER MILITARY OR FINACIAL
SUPPORT FOR MOVE TO BRING MANCHAM AND HIS FOLLOWERS BACK TO POWER
IN SEYCHELLES.
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